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possible. If like Qwest--Q-w-e-s-t, that is, for the sake of the transcribers--I can avoid paying income tax, I would. If I could avoid any expenditure or outlay of cash, that is precisely what I would do, because I want the income to be as high as possible, and the outgo to be as little or as small as possible. My amendment which is before us, which strikes Section 5--and this is the section whose subsection 2 declares that a public power supplier shall not provide on any basis broadband services, Internet services, telecommunications services, or video services, that means--and it's not likely to happen--if every telecommunications company for some reason went out of business, those services could not be provided by any public entity. We need to look...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...at what the language of the law declares, what could happen under that law, and what is prohibited. To have a potential or capability in the hands of a public entity, which capability could benefit the public, it is not wise to say that for the period that this bill sets out, that public entity or those public entities cannot engage in the kind of activity which would be beneficial to the public. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Chambers amendment. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, it's late in the session and hard to get information, but I've been trying to get information on what other states are doing. It's interesting that in Colorado, their recent legislation, Senate Bill 05152, is part of what they're doing on the same subject. As I mentioned earlier, apparently the telecommunications industry and other industries are making a move nationally on this, to try to contain public involvement, and in the Colorado bill, they do limit local governments with respect to providing cable television and telecommunications service, and what they call advance service, which is high-speed Internet access. Those are the areas that they deal with,